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Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:     Applicant(s):        Vargas, Jaime; et. al.  
         Assignee:           Cardica, Inc.  
         Title:                Sutureless Closure and Deployment System for Connecting Blood Vessels  
         Serial No.:          09/664,588  
         Examiner:          Daniel J. Davis  
         Docket No.:         032405-016

Filed:    September 18, 2000  
Group Art Unit:   3731

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Amendment; and
- (3) Return postcard.

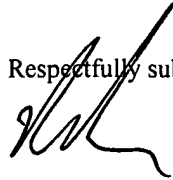
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of October 23, 2002.

Please cancel claims 61-63 and 73-75.

Please add claim 84.

Please amend the claims as follows:

38. (Amended) An anastomosis device deployment system comprising:

a handle;

a holder tube attached to the handle, the holder tube having a distal end configured to hold the anastomosis device with an attached graft vessel; and

an expander positioned within the holder tube and slidable with respect to the holder to a position at which the expander is positioned within the anastomosis device and radially expands the anastomosis device.

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